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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Germano CARONNI et al.) Group Art Unit: 2135
Application No.: 09/457,914) Examiner: Ha, Leynna A.
Filed: December 10, 1999)
For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR)
ENABLING SCALABLE)
SECURITY IN A VIRTUAL)
PRIVATE NETWORK)

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AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action mailed February 3, 2004, the period for response
extending to May 3, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are included in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.

Attachments to this Amendment include the Information Disclosure Statements
filed January 2, 2002 (with references and form PTO-1449), and January 8, 2004 (with
references and form PTO-1449).